

York 30/10 no. '74

Dear Dr. Gray,

The package of Trichomanes
Petersii so kindly sent, arrived
in excellent condition, & I make
no doubt will grow well. Many
thanks for it. I never received
it before. Dr. Parry has sent
me another fine lot of seeds,
from Colorado. The plants from
same district also came to hand
in much better condition than those
of the previous year's transmission.
Altogether I am very much
pleased with this year's work,
& am sanguine that it will
largely ^{& perhaps abundantly} compensate for the less
successful previous work (of
the 2 preceding seasons).

I will remit the £1 extra
to Dr. Parry (to cover the dis-
bursements on my acc) as
suggested.

I will also bear in mind
thy desire to receive plants of
the kinds marked with red
on the list sent to me.

Very sincerely & respectfully
W. Backhouse

On "2nd thoughts" I will defer
sending the £1 extra to Dr. P., &
remit direct. I think there must
be some mistake in thy reckoning
& that we owe more? Was not
the cost ^{of the carriage} of the Pulmonarias ^{delivered}
paid by you? I cannot think
of not paying for this, even though

they did prove a failure. Because
they ought not to have been sent
to you in a growing state, it
was altogether my "risk".

J.B.